

(b) *Regulation of insurance issuers.* The individual market rules of this part do not prevent a State law from establishing, implementing, or continuing in effect standards or requirements unless the standards or requirements prevent the application of a requirement of this part.

§ 148.220 Excepted benefits.

The requirements of this part do not apply to individual health insurance coverage in relation to its provision of the benefits described in paragraphs (a) and (b) of this section (or any combination of the benefits).

(a) *Benefits excepted in all circumstances.* The following benefits are excepted in all circumstances:

- (1) Coverage only for accident (including accidental death and dismemberment).
- (2) Disability income insurance.
- (3) Liability insurance, including general liability insurance and automobile liability insurance.
- (4) Coverage issued as a supplement to liability insurance.
- (5) Workers' compensation or similar insurance.
- (6) Automobile medical payment insurance.
- (7) Credit-only insurance (for example, mortgage insurance).
- (8) Coverage for on-site medical clinics.

(b) *Other excepted benefits.* The requirements of this part do not apply to individual health insurance coverage described in paragraphs (b)(1) through (b)(6) of this section if the benefits are provided under a separate policy, certificate, or contract of insurance. These benefits include the following:

- (1) Limited scope dental or vision benefits. These benefits are dental or vision benefits that are limited in scope to a narrow range or type of benefits that are generally excluded from benefit packages that combine hospital, medical, and surgical benefits.
- (2) Long-term care benefits. These benefits are benefits that are either—
 - (i) Subject to State long-term care insurance laws;
 - (ii) For qualified long-term care insurance services, as defined in section 7702B(c)(1) of the Code, or provided under a qualified long-term care insur-

ance contract, as defined in section 7702B(b) of the Code; or

(iii) Based on cognitive impairment or a loss of functional capacity that is expected to be chronic.

(3) Coverage only for a specified disease or illness (for example, cancer policies), or hospital indemnity or other fixed indemnity insurance (for example, \$100/day) if the policies meet the requirements of §146.145(b)(4)(ii)(B) and (b)(4)(ii)(C) of this subchapter regarding noncoordination of benefits.

(4) Medicare supplemental health insurance (as defined under section 1882(g)(1) of the Social Security Act, 42 U.S.C. 1395ss, also known as Medigap or MedSupp insurance). The requirements of this part 148 (including genetic non-discrimination requirements), do not apply to Medicare supplemental health insurance policies. However, Medicare supplemental health insurance policies are subject to similar genetic non-discrimination requirements under section 104 of the Genetic Information Nondiscrimination Act of 2008 (Pub. L. 110–233), as incorporated into the NAIC Model Regulation relating to sections 1882(s)(2)(e) and (x) of the Act (The NAIC Model Regulation can be accessed at <http://www.naic.org>).

(5) Coverage supplemental to the coverage provided under Chapter 55, Title 10 of the United States Code (also known as CHAMPUS supplemental programs).

(6) Similar supplemental coverage provided to coverage under a group health plan.

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Subpart E—Grants to States for Operation of Qualified High Risk Pools

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§ 148.306 Basis and scope.

This subpart implements section 2745 of the Public Health Service Act (PHS Act). It extends grants to States that have qualified high risk pools that meet the specific requirements described in §148.310. It also provides specific instructions on how to apply for